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**WAR DIARY**

or

Unit 6th Bn The Royal Scots Fusiliers

**~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~**

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Month and Year May 1945

Commanding Officer Lt Col I Mackenzie DSO

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	References to Appendices
SCHWARZENBURG	1		Bn still at SCHWARZENBURG. 2100 hrs O Gp for clearing of SACHSENWALD FOREST the following day. Surrender in ITALY reported. Hitler's death reported.	
ROTHENBEK	2		Bn cleared a large sector of the forest, and arrived at ROTHENBEK during the afternoon. The Bn took up tactical positions round the village.	
LANGLOHE	3		Bn left ROTHENBEK, and moved to LANGLOHE. Billets were occupied as the Bn was in an area in which hostilities had ceased.	
BARGTEHEIDE	4		Bn moved to BARGTEHEIDE, preceded by harbour party. During the afternoon the BBC reported that surrender by the Germans in NW Europe would take place the following day at 0800 hours.	
"	5		"Cease-fire" 0800 hrs, for NW Europe. Pipe Band played. Church Service 1100 hrs.	
"	6		No change.	
"	7		Bn still at BARGTEHEIDE. It was reported that VE day would be 8 May.	
"	8		VE Day. Addresses to the Bn by the Brigadier and Div Comd.	
"	9		Coy route marches. Recce parties to BAD SEGEBERG to recce area for final occupation area.	
"	10	1800	Recce parties again to new area. 'O' Gp for move to BAD SEGEBERG.	
"	11		Adv parties move to BAD SEGEBERG. Accommodation in Kinhome and Klostercomp strasse taken over.	
"	12		Capt KJ Burnett drowned in Segeberg-see 1915 hrs. Major HM Gow MC returned from course in UK.	
"	13		Bde church parade held at BARGTEHEIDE in memory of fallen comrades. A Coy moved to SEEDORF 755100. C Coy moved to SCHMALENSEE 664125.	
"	14		Bn HQ, B and D Coys moved to area BAD SEGEBERG. CO's conference to all officers and WOI on methods of disposal of POW - searching areas etc.	

BAD SEGEBERG	15		CO went to UK on course. Major Deeks urgently required Hygiene course! Memorial service in church BAD SEGEBERG for Capt KJ Burnett.	
"	16		Transit Camp opened HOLSTENDORF 884 082. Carrier Pl manning this. CO visited A and C Coys, Transit Camp and Bde HQ.	
"	17		Cinema show held in S Coy theatre; the usual high standard of Army films was maintained!	
"	18		Normal routine and no change from 17th.	
"	19		The population of BAD SEGEBERG was called out to watch Guard mounting in the town square (Lieut RB Dodman and RSM). Brigadier and BM attended. Later ceremonial raising of the flag over Military Government offices.	
"	20		Nothing to report.	
"	21	1800	CO went to Bde Comd's Military Government conference. Conference of all Bn sector comds. ENSA show in S Coy Theatre.	
"	22		Normal routine. ENSA show in S Coy Theatre.	
"	23	1800	Pipe Band beat Retreat in the town.	
			A raid was carried out on a sabotage dump - the dump was blown up but its owners were not traced.	
"	24		Capt Burnett's body was recovered from the Segeberg lake.	
"	25		Lieut Binge rejoined Bn after being wounded on the RHINE crossing.	
"	26		Capt KJ Burnett buried in the British section of the cemetery in HAMBURG. Funeral conducted by Rev G MUNRO CF and attended by the CO (Major HM Gow MC) and other officers and a party from S Coy. Ceremonial Guard mounting in the town square.	
"	27		Church Service held in S Coy - conducted by Rev Randall. "Go-as-you-please" concert held in the evening to get talent for the Bn concert party.	
"	28	1730	CO went to Bde Comd's Military Government conference. Conference of all sector comds.	
"	29		Pipe Band went to C Coy and played there all day. Two officers attended as witnesses in the Military Government Court at RENSBURG.	
"	30		CO visited A and C Coys and the Transit Camp. Pipe Band beat Retreat in the town square. Lieut J McKee rejoined the Bn after being wounded on 26 Jun 44.	
"	31		Quiet day. Nothing to report.	HM Gow, Maj Comd 6th Royal Scots Fusiliers